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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, MOPS, PBOR, UNSC, IS, LE, XF
SUBJECT: SOUTH LEBANON: GUR - KHOURY MEETING?

1. IT IS INCREASINGLY EVIDENT THAT ONE OF THE BENEFITS THE ISRAELIS EXPECT TO RECEIVE IN EXCHANGE FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM SOUTHERN LEBANON IS DIRECT CONTACT BETWEEN SENIOR LEVELS OF GOI AND GOL. THIS HAS BEEN A CONSTANT REFRAIN FROM THE ISRAELI SIDE IN MEETINGS WITH THE UN.

2. SIILASVUO WILL SEEK TO SET UP A MEETING BETWEEN HIMSELF, KHOURY AND GUR AT NAQOURA, POSSIBLY AS EARLY AS APRIL 13.

3. COMMENT: I AM WELL AWARE OF AMBASSADOR PARKER'S VIEW THIS MAY BE MORE THAN THE TRAFFIC WILL BEAR (BEIRUT 1977). ON OTHER HAND, GIVEN OUR GENERAL POSTURE OF FAVORING DIRECT CONTRACT, I WONDER IF SUCH A MEETING MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE IF IT WERE CAST IN TERMS OF SIILASVUO'S INITIATIVE AND IT WOULD BE CLEAR MEETING WOULD TAKE PLACE UNDER UN AUSPICES. IN EFFECT, THIS WOULD BE AN ILMAC MEETING,
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THE TYPE OF WHICH LEBANESE HAVE PARTICIPATED IN IN THE PAST, AT A SOMEWHAT HIGHER LEVEL.
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